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2014 - 2015 Event Dates:

- September 18th
Mason City
- November 20th
Ames
- February 19th
- April 16th
tentatively Des Moines

TBD on February location of events.

Join Us in Des Moines!

Our new fiscal year got off to a great start in Mason City, with a tour of John Morrell and an evening at the Historic Park Inn that included a social hour and dinner along with a short business meeting.

We had a little over 40 attendees, who all got suited up for an exciting tour of the production facility. Attendees got a firsthand look at head-cheese production and ham production along with a few other meat applications.

Social hour was held at the Historic Park Inn designed by Frank Lloyd Wright and was followed by a catered dinner.

Our next meeting will be held in Ames on November 20th. The meeting will

be held on campus and will be a perfect opportunity to see the beautiful campus in rich fall colors.

The November meeting will include our annual food and coat drive, so please bring non-perishable food items, or new and/or gently used coats, hats, mittens, and gloves. A raffle will be held for all who participate and prizes will be given! The last couple of years donations have been great, so thank you in advance for participating.

We are also having our second year of Holiday Dessert Showdown, so pick out your favorite holiday dessert and enter the fun competition!

See you in November,

Kelly Belknap, IA IFT Secretary



Opportunities to Get Involved at the November Meeting

Canned Food and Coat Drive

Once again, we will be seeking canned food items and warm winter coats/gloves for donate to needy organizations. Through this philanthropic event we have donated hundreds of coats to lowans as well as a hefty load of canned foods to those who are in need.



Holiday Dessert Showdown

Do you think you have the best holiday dessert? If so, bring a batch (enough for ~4 dozen mini servings) and find out. The crowd favorite will win a prize! To help with planning, please let us know if you will be participating when you register for the meeting.



Silent Auction

Bring items to donate to the ISU Food Science Club's annual Silent Auction Holiday fundraiser.

Silent Auction



ISU Food Science Club

The Food Science club has been very busy so far this semester. Homecoming was a great time where we were able to reconnect with alumni and industry professionals, and the club also sold fudge at its second Foodie Friday event during that time.

Our last meeting featured a presentation from Hormel Foods about internship and full-time opportunities at that company. On November 2nd, club members will be cooking a meal for families at the Ronald McDonald house in Des Moines. Elections are coming up soon, and a new position will be added to the board to focus on service and philanthropy activities such as the RMH and elementary school science nights.

Another event coming up soon is the ISU Bacon Expo on November 8th. Club members will be manning a booth there, as well as sharing samples of delicious chocolate-covered bacon. Come check it out if you're in town!

Iowa Section IFT Newsletter Member Spotlight

Molly Mayer

Company: Kraft Foods

Location: Mason City

Job Title: Quality Compliance Manager

What is something interesting about your job?

I get to eat and make pudding and Jell-O every day

What is your favorite food?

My favorite food would have to be corn chips and fresh salsa.

What is the strangest food you have ever eaten (this could also include an odd pairing of foods)?

I guess the strangest thing I have eaten was blood sausage. I had to try the local cuisine when I was in Ireland.

What are your hobbies?

Hobbies would include: Baking, golfing, watching/listening/going to Iowa State athletics, DIY projects

What is your favorite part about being an Iowa Section IFT member?

I attended my first Section meeting in September since being away for almost 4 years and was greeted by many familiar faces. Therefore, my favorite part about being an Iowa section member would be the excitement the members and the board have for their section and for the Iowa food industry.



November Meeting Details



November Meeting Thursday, November 20th, 2014



Iowa State University Food Science & Human Nutrition Department – Program & Tour

3:30-4:30pm Executive Board in FSHN conference room

5:00-6:15pm Program and Social Hour – CCUR Hall and Theater

- Midwest Grape and Wine Industry Institute presentation; find out what the institute does and how to evaluate wine, plus take a short tour of their labs
- Dr. Stephanie Clark will present on cheese quality and sensory attributes
- Enjoy wine and cheese pairings
- Dairy Products Evaluation Team will be sharing their knowledge.
- ISU food science will be selling fudge. Get a jump start on your holiday gift giving!!
- Coat and Food Drive, plus donate to the FSHN Department Silent Auction

6:10-6:30pm Walk to MacKay and give short tours of labs if there is interest

6:30-7:30pm Dinner from Hickory Park in ISU Tea Room

- Hot smoked sliced beef, pork, turkey, ham & saucy southerner; buttered corn; BBQ beans; tossed salad; coleslaw and holiday desserts

7:30-8:00pm Business Meeting

- Dessert contest winners!! Top 3 will win a prize. Bring your favorite dessert for people to try.

Registration Cost:

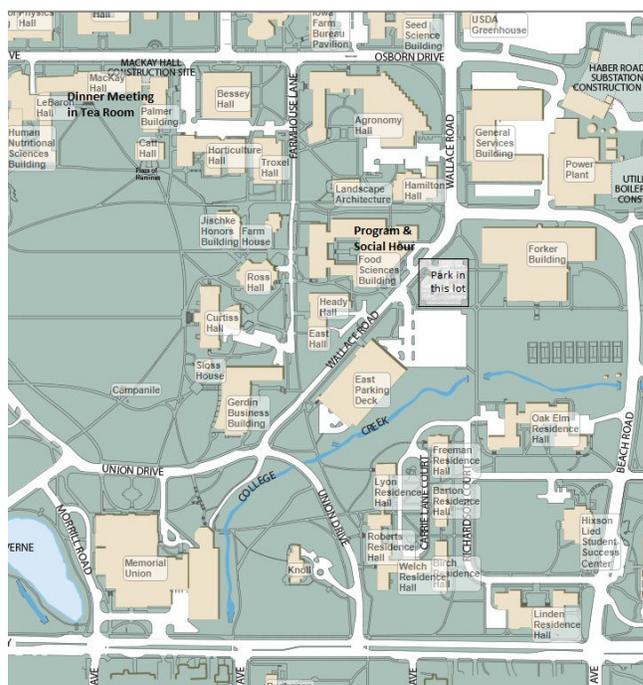
\$15 for students, \$25 for members & \$35 for friends of the section

Registration Deadline:

Wednesday, November 12th

Parking and Map:

Exec members get passes, everyone coming onto campus: park in the Forker lot



Please Register online at www.IFTiowa.org by November 12th

September Meeting Minutes

Iowa Section IFT Executive Committee Meeting

September 18th, 2014 at John Morrell, Mason City Iowa

Members present: Bailey, Belknap, Gent, Gilbert, Hukee, Loucks, Shaw, McCarty, and Benner

1. **Introductions** were made.

2. **The Secretary's report** was presented. Motioned by Bailey and seconded by Hukee, the minutes were approved as read. Belknap reported that the annual report has been submitted. Belknap reported that Hukee has been helping with the newsletter and that help is greatly appreciated. Gent has been working with MailChimp to organize the section's email lists. Mailchimp has great features that allow us to track who opens the emails. Belknap reported that the volunteer and outstanding leadership awards have been purchased and will be presented at the business meeting that evening. Thank-you cards have not been ordered yet.

3. **Treasurer's report:** Loucks reported that the Balance ending 8/31/2014 was \$19,549.70, which is similar to last FY. Loucks also presented two financial spreadsheets. The first report was a look at our expenses and net income per category per month. Some questions were answered regarding scholarship awards. The second document presented was the proposed budget from 2014 and the actual 2014 year-end budget along with a proposed 2015 budget. It was suggested that the budget for dinner meetings be increased.

4. **ByLaws Update:** Belknap, Loucks, and Bailey met with Erin Carter from National IFT during the annual meeting in New Orleans. Belknap reported that Carter explained that some things in the proposed by laws they set forth will not be able to be changed, specifically the finance and audit committees and the time of year elections were held. National IFT explained that these items are necessary for sections to be able to legally keep their non-profit status. However, we were able to compromise on some of the committee sizes as well and some issues regarding the student members. The Section's new proposed bylaws are currently on the iftiowa.org website and will be passed out to members attending the evening business meeting. Belknap will inquire with National regarding what laws they are referring to regarding the non-for profit statutes.

4. **Food Science Club Update:** Benner and McCarty reported that the school year is well underway. There was a Fun Fest and Welcome Back Picnic. They were also excited to report that Fudge will be sold at Cyclone Market, Foodie Fridays (selling in Lebaron Hall) as well as ISU dinning services. Upcoming events include the Ag Career fair and the FSHN Homecoming tailgate.

5. **Upcoming meeting** plans were discussed. Bailey reported that she is waiting to hear from Pepsico in Cedar Rapids and received "no" from La Quercia and Cookies BBQ sauce. It was suggested that we try Aquaculture or have a meeting on ISU campus with wine tasting and dairy products evaluation. Merrill Townsend has agreed to host the April meeting.

6. **Other news:** There will be a winter coat drive at the November meeting. Gent will organize. Belknap hopes to send out an additional email in the next week or two with pictures from today/tonight.

It was motioned by Bailey and seconded by Gent to adjourn the meeting.

Motion carried. Meeting was adjourned.

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Outstanding Volunteer

Award; 2013-2014

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